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SUBJECT: VISIT OF GUINEAN PRESIDENT TO SAUDI ARABIA

REF: CONAKRY 718 (NOTAL) EXDIS

1. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WISH TO PRESS SAUDIS TO ACCEPT
TOURE VISIT OR EMBARK ON PROGRAM OF AID. EMBASSY SHOULD,
HOWEVER, USE EARLY OCCASION TO POINT OUT TO SAUDIS A) THAT
GUINEA APPEARS TO BE: RELEASING THE UNREALISTICALLY

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SEVERE CONTROLS ON ITS INTERNAL ECONOMY; PREPARED TO RELEASE
ADDITIONAL POLITICAL PRISONERS; MAKING A GENUINE ATTEMPT
TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH THE WEST, PARTICULARLY THE
U.S. AND FRANCE, AND REDUCING ITS DEPENDENCE ON THE SOVIETS.
B) THAT TOURE PLANS TO VISIT LIBYA AND POSSIBLY IRAQ, AND;
C) THAT SAG MIGHT WISH TO CONSIDER A TOURE VISIT AS AN
OPPORTUNITY TO COUNTER IMPRESSIONS THIS EXPERIENCED

AFRICAN LEADER MIGHT HAVE GAINED FROM RADICAL ARAB STATES.

2. FOR CONAKRY: AMBASSADOR AUTHORIZED TO DISCUSS PROPOSED
TOURE VISIT WITH SAUDI CHARGE ALONG LINES OUTLINED PARA I.
YOU SHOULD TAKE PARTICULAR CARE NOT TO OFFER ANY USG SUP-
PORT, EITHER TO GUINEA OR TO SAUDI EMBASSY CONAKRY, FOR
AID REQUESTS GUINEA MIGHT MAKE TO SAUDI ARABIA. CHRISTOPHER

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